

APPENDIX P.

FILM PERMITS: MINIMUM IMPACT CRITERIA

P.1 MINIMUM-IMPACT CRITERIA FOR ALL BLM LANDS

Filming is allowed in all areas provided the following criteria are met:

1. Project would not adversely impact sensitive habitat or species.
2. Project would not adversely impact Native American sacred site(s) and/or National Register-eligible sites.
3. Project does not involve use of pyrotechnics more than a campfire in an appropriate setting.
4. Filming allowed in all areas, provided impacts to land, air, or water can be avoided, mitigated, or reclaimed.
5. Project does not involve use of explosives.
6. Project, involving use of exotic animal species, includes provisions for containment and/or capture of animals.
7. Project does not involve extensive restriction of public access.
8. Limited filming would be allowed in areas with the following sensitive resources provided that impacts to these sensitive resources can be avoided, mitigated, or reclaimed:
 - a. Historic, cultural or paleontological sites
 - b. Sensitive soils (see chapter 3 Soils section for definition of these soils)
 - c. Relict environments
 - d. Wetlands, floodplains, or riparian areas
 - e. Water quality
 - f. Wildlife habitat
9. Use of heavy equipment would be allowed provided that any resource damage can be avoided, mitigated, or reclaimed.
10. Criteria for use of aircraft (helicopter, fixed wing, hot air balloons) is observed:
 - a. No refueling requested within WSAs and Designated Wilderness Areas.
 - b. Use of aircraft in an area with wildlife concerns would be allowed if a survey or inventory by an approved biologist demonstrates that animals are not present, or, if animals are present, aircraft use is not proposed for more than one day and does not exceed the frequency of 2 projects per 30-day period.
 - c. Use of aircraft in areas with outstanding recreational opportunities, Wilderness Study Areas, designated Wilderness, or close to residential areas is proposed for no more than 2 days and does not exceed the frequency of 3 two-day projects per 30-day period.
 - d. Aircraft use proposed within 1/2 mile of any designated campground would be during low-use times (i.e., weekdays and not during major holidays between 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.)
11. Project does not involve use of more than 20 livestock in these locations. Impacts from livestock can be avoided, mitigated, or reclaimed.

12. Project does not involve 15 or more production vehicles. Vehicles would only be allowed on Wilderness Study Areas or designated Wilderness boundary roads.
13. Project does not involve 50 or more people within these areas.
14. The activity within these areas would not continue in excess of 10 days.

If filming projects do not meet the criteria listed above, site-specific NEPA will be required.